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From: Janiga Paul J. (DNREC)
Sent: Thursday, September 08, 2011 5:37 PM
To: Davis Glenn F. (DNREC); Underwood Robert (DNREC); Defriece John R. (DNREC)
Subject: RE: Allen's Family Foods/Harim

This is obviously something that we will have to address in the next permit.

According to the company's DMRs, the recent storm event referenced in Glenn's email (where there was an observed discharge through 003) is the only time in the last 20 months that there was a discharge of storm water from either 002 or 003. (I only looked at DMRs from 2010 and 2011.) Whether that is actually true is unknown. I find it hard to believe that every drop of rainfall is diverted to the wastewater treatment plant. I suspect wet weather discharges from 002 and 003 have occurred, but went undetected.

Paul

From: Davis Glenn F. (DNREC)
Sent: Thursday, September 08, 2011 11:00 AM
To: Underwood Robert (DNREC); Defriece John R. (DNREC); Janiga Paul J. (DNREC)
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We have had some ongoing concerns with Outfalls 002 & 003 that convey storm water. Both outfalls have sumps and pumps to pump the storm water to the WWTP. Problems evolve during heavy rain events and they cannot confirm that all storm water was pumped back to the WWTP and that no storm water left the site. These two outfalls get most of their storm water runoff from the live hold area, and the runoff can be extremely high in BOD and nutrients. The area around the live hold area is not blacktopped and is stone/crush run. We have been trying to get this area and the storm water concerns fixed for several years, with minimal success. Recently, they did have a confirmed discharge from 003 (?) but were unable (due to safety problems) to get a sample. This is another item on my "hit list" to get some resolution.

As for expanding operations at the chicken processing . . . the WWTP is barely able to keep up with what they were getting. When processing increased their "Bird Count", the WWTP did struggle. Any discussion about significant production increases should be met with some concern. The WWTP could use some upgrades, as they are constantly fighting to keep things in good operating order.

I would be very happy to meet with anyone to discuss this further . . . but I do have some serious concerns on some of these issues going forward.

Thank you

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Thoughts? I'd like to get a reply back to Jen and Dave as soon as possible but would like to ensure I include your comments/concerns.

Rob

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Subject: Allen's Family Foods/Harim

Good morning everyone...Dave Small has asked that I check with your programs regarding any current or potential compliance concerns with Allen's Family Foods/Harim facilities. He also asked if any programs would have concerns if the facilities were to expand operations and if the permit transfer processes are going smoothly.

Dave is meeting with the company on Monday evening, so please have any concerns/issues/comments back to me by noon on Monday. Thank you! Jenny.

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